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In re Application of
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Application No. 09/204,706
Filed: December 3, 1998
Attorney Docket No. BLACK-USPA-103

ON PETITION

This is a decision on the petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b), filed May 14, 2003, to revive the above-identified application.

The petition is **DISMISSED**.

Any request for reconsideration of this decision must be submitted within TWO (2) MONTHS from the mail date of this decision. Extensions of time under 37 CFR 1.136(a) are permitted. The reconsideration request should include a cover letter entitled "Renewed Petition under 37 CFR 1.137(b)." This is **not** final agency action within the meaning of 5 U.S.C. § 704.

The application became abandoned for failure to timely file a reply within the meaning of 37 CFR 1.113 to the final Office action mailed September 10, 2002. The proposed reply required for consideration of a petition to revive must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee as required by 37 CFR 1.17(b), an amendment that *prima facie* places the application in condition for allowance, a Request for Continued Examination (RCE) under 37 CFR 1.114 or the filing of a continuing application. See MPEP 711.03(c)(III)(A)(2). Since the amendment submitted with the present petition does not *prima facie* place the application in condition for allowance, the reply required must be a Notice of Appeal (and appeal fee), RCE or the filing of a continuing application. See the attached Advisory Action.

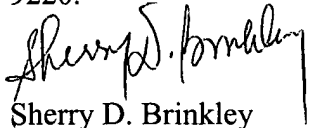
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Attachment: Advisory Action